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**PERSONAL MENTION**

Dr. and Mrs. Pilkington who have been in Portland and through the Willamette Valley, have returned much improved in health, and they thoroughly enjoyed the trip.

I. C. Sutton, of Salem, left up for the Capital City last evening, via the Lurline, after a pleasant visit with his son, J. O. Sutton, of the Astorian force.

A. K. Slocum, of the Oregonian force, in Portland, was a business visitor in this city yesterday.

Earl Phair left for the Nehalem yesterday morning for a week's visit with his brother, Claud Phair.

F. A. Haney, of Portland, arrived in the city yesterday and is quartered at the Occident.

J. H. Roberts of Portland is a business tourist in the City-by-the-Sea. W. S. Lyons arrived in the city yesterday from the metropolis and is domiciled at the Occident.

G. W. Thomas, a business man of San Francisco, is in Astoria.

Lawrence Thorndyke and Lester Louden left up on the Lurline last night for a few days' pleasure in the metropolis.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Boetz, of Salem, arrived here yesterday and are registered at the Occident.

Manager Buffum, of the Bankers' Savings & Loan Association, returned from his trip to Tillamook yesterday. He left here seven hours behind the steamer Elmore; went to Seaside by train; thence to Hobson's by horseback; to Tillamook by launch, and got there in time to take the headlines of the steamer if he had been needed in that relation.

**REAL ESTATE**

Walter C. Smith and wife to Carl A. Bernier, lot 6, block 17, Plaza, and lot 7, block 79, Warrenton Park; \$225.

State of Oregon to G. B. Hegardt, 158.4 acres in Clatsop county; \$792.

Charles T. Hubbard and wife to C. S. Gunderson, lot 3, Town of Necanicum Grove; \$950.

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**CONFERENCE ASKED BY  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY**

INVITATIONS SENT RAILROAD COMPANIES OF COUNTRY TO MEET SURVEY.

**CO-OPERATION IS WATCHWORD**

Scheme to Gather Facts as to the Amount of Water Flowing in Rivers Under Certain Conditions and at Different Times.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—Director George Otis Smith, of the United States Geological Survey, has invited officers of the leading railroads of the country to a conference on a co-operative plan by which it is expected the railroads will be able to save thousands of dollars a year. The plan also contemplates most effective assistance to the Government on the part of railroads. The time and place of the proposed Conference is to be agreed on later.

The scheme, which has already been approved by a number of the engineers of the big lines, is one for the gathering of facts as to the amount of water flowing in the rivers of the country under certain conditions and in different periods of the year. Naturally, the railroads have been chief sufferers from floods in the basins where their tracks lie. They have suffered not only from damage to their own property but they have been sued by other corporations and private citizens on the ground that their bridges and culverts were the causes of flood damage. The railroad authorities have felt that many judgments against the roads might not have been rendered if they had been able to produce authentic figures on floods. But they have not been able to do this. The National Conservation Commission has been advised of the proposed plan and whatever results come from it will undoubtedly be considered by the Commission at its joint meeting with the Governors of the States or their representatives, here next December.

The Survey suggests that the railroad companies establish gages on their bridge and culverts and appoint some of their employes to take daily readings. The Survey agrees to have its experts make frequent visits to these stations and take actual current meter measurements so that a rating table of each channel will be available.

For many years the survey has been studying the difference in the flow of rivers in various basins in the country. At present it is engaged in putting the information gained by its study into shape for the use of the National Conservation Commission, together with other information which it is gathering especially for the inventory of the country's natural resources that the Commission is preparing. The Survey has been unable to extend its observations to many regions where the information would be of vital importance because it lacks funds. The cooperation of the railroads would permit the Survey to cover many other regions.



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The expense to the railroads under this arrangement would be trifling, the Survey authorities say, because the roads could designate men already on their pay-rolls, such as draw tenders, tank men, or water station engineers to take the daily readings. On the other hand, if the Survey could be relieved of the cost of daily supervision of the gages, it would be able to carry on the more technical parts of the undertaking.

The information which the railroads will obtain if this plan is put into operation is of immense value to them.

The Survey's figures on floods have always been accepted by the Courts as prima facie evidence. If the belief of the railroad authorities is well-founded, their cooperation with the Survey enabling it to extend its operation to their fields will result in big savings to them.

The idea of cooperation as to floods originated with the engineering departments of the railroads themselves. Representatives of these departments of a number of roads held a conference with representatives of the Survey, in Chicago last June, and at that time the Survey agreed to interview the proper railroad authorities concerning a basis of cooperation.

The Survey has further suggested to the railroads that they supply it with all information they may have on hand concerning the character of the various drainage areas above their bridges. Some of the roads have collected, at great expense, a large amount of valuable information, which the Survey has been carrying out for a number of years and upon which it is particularly busy just now in the compilation of all available information along these lines for the use of the National Conservation Commission.

**UNCLE SAM'S LANDS.**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—According to figures compiled in the land office recites the sale of public lands during the fiscal year amounted to \$71,192,453. There were 201,953 entries, covering 18,938,836 acres. In acreage New Mexico led the states and territories with 2,850,327 acres. South Dakota was second with 2,086,171 acres, Colorado third with 2,015,503 Nebraska fourth with 1,781,453 acres; Montana fifth with 1,494,052; North Dakota sixth with 1,383,957 and Oregon seventh with 1,012,447, acres. The acreage in other states was as follows: Arizona 198,509. California 766,887, Utah 468,428, Washington 802,484, Wyoming 829,614.

**INSPECTION ALL OFF.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 29.—Instructions issued by the surgeon general's department at Washington, will hereafter exempt from inspection all vessels leaving the port of San Francisco upon their arrival in other ports. The department has notified the chamber of commerce that instructions to this effect have been issued to quarantine stations on the coast and it was added that disinfection and certification of out-going vessels will occur here when deemed necessary. The action was taken because of the long period that elapsed since the discovery of a case of bubonic plague.

**TO CENTRALIZE ACTION.**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 29.—If the recommendation President Roosevelt has decided to make in his annual message to congress regarding the various bureaus and divisions of the government now doing work relating to the public health, is adopted by Congress, all will be placed under one general department. This will mean readjustment and realizing of the public health and marine hospital service, the pure food and meat inspection bureaus into one department. Professor Irving Fisher of Yale, head of the committee of 100 on public health appointed by the the National Health League for the advancement of national health, called at the White House to-day and to him the President announced as the policy of the administration the plan for the transfer and concentration of all existing government health bureaus.

**BEVERIDGE ANSWERS BRYAN.**

TERRA HAUTE, Ind., Sept. 29.—Explaining the policy of the republican party in reference to capital and labor and recounting legislation in behalf of the working class, Senator Beveridge tonight delivered the second of his replies to Bryan. The Senator was greeted by an enthusiastic crowd.

**HURRICANE VICTIM.**

TORONTO, Sept. 29.—A cable was received yesterday by Miss Alone Butler who is visiting her brother-in-law D. B. Sargent at Inagua, that he had died on Sunday, Sept. 13. It is feared that he was one of the victims of the hurricane which raged in the West Indies between Sept. 11 and 13.

**NEW RAILROAD DESIGNS.**

Party of Big Capitalists Due On the Coast for Business.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 29.—The approaching visit to this city of eastern railroad men and capitalists, including Wm. Rockefeller, President Albert J. Earling, of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, and several directors of the road, has revived rumors of an extension of the line down the coast to San Francisco. The party is expected to leave Portland today and arrive Thursday. It is the belief of railroad men that the extension of the road to Seattle and Tacoma, a work which will be completed early next year, will be followed by the construction of a coast line or a more direct line from some middle west point.

**POSTPONING OBLIGATIONS.**

KIOTO, Japan, Sept. 29.—Postponement of government undertakings involving the expenditure of \$100,000,000 in accordance with policy recently announced by Premier Katsura does not mean that the government had ceased activity in this direction. It is authoritatively stated that the fundamental principle of the postponement consists in so arranging the funds for the projected enterprises that they may be carried out without retrenchment but by deferring their completion three or four years. In recent years there has developed a considerable growth of the annual surplus, which it is expected the government will hereafter utilize in developments of a peaceful character.

**UNLCE JOE CONDEMNED.**

Southern California Methodists Go After His Scalp.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 29.—At the closing session of the Southern California Methodist conference here last night resolutions were adopted severely censuring Speaker Jos. Cannon of the U. S. House of Representatives, and calling upon the Christian citizens of his district and the whole United States to see, first that he is not again elected to the Congress of the United States and if elected to see that he is not again made speaker of the house. Cannon was denounced by bishops and ministers in speeches and it was stated that this is in accordance with a widespread movement against the speaker.

**99 CHOLERA DEATHS.**

Plague in Russia Said to be Declining.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 29.—The cholera epidemic continues to decrease. Reports for 24 hours ending noon gives 222 new cases, 99 deaths, and 137 recoveries. New cases and death is the lowest since the climax of epidemic.

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—Edward Kzkowski, ten months old, 27 Kingsbury, Street, the youngest of a family of several children, was accidentally smothered to death yesterday in a folding bed. The child was placed in the bed and covered with a blanket. A short time later his mother entered the room and found that the bed had been closed. She opened it, to find the child smothered to death.

**Lotteries.**

The first scheme for the distribution of prizes by chance in modern times is generally attributed to one Benedetto Gentile of Genoa, who established his lottery in 1020. The proper lottery, in which each person takes part by means of tickets costing each a fixed sum of money, had its origin in more ancient times, being known even in the middle ages. Such a lottery was established at Florence as early as 1530.—New York American.

**Ladylike.**

"You say you acted like a perfect lady throughout?" "Sure, yer honor. When he tips his hat to me an' me not knowin' him, I ups with a rock an' caves in his face."—Houston Post.

**Habit.**

Action repeated becomes habit. Habit long continued becomes second nature. We are today what we were accustomed to do yesterday and the day before.—Lyman Abbott.

**Furniture Facts!!**

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**COMPANY IN HOCK.**

Mercantile Securities Company, Chicago, In Touch With Courts.

CHICAGO, Sept. 29.—Judge Julian Mack, in the Cook County Circuit Court yesterday issued a writ of sequestration against Birch F. Edwards and Thos. Rodus officers of the Mercantile Securities Company. Through the operation of the writ, four officers of the court may seize and hold all the property of the company, all the real and personal property of the respondents against whom a writ is directed. Following the court's decision issue the writ an appeal was by Counsel for the Rodus Brothers Mack granted the appeal and the bonds of the Rodus Brothers \$50,000 each. The object of the writ is to gain security for the stock of the court may seize and hold